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## IN THE UN D STATES PATENT AND TRADEMA OFFICE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title please insert the following paragraph: --CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application is the national stage under 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/IL98/00255, filed June 1, 1998. --

## IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or claim 2".

Claim 5, line 1, delete "any one of claims 1-4", and insert therefor --claim 1--.

Claim  $\hat{\epsilon}$ , line 2, delete "any one of claims 5-7", and insert therefor --claim 5--.

Claim 9, line 2, delete "any one of claims 1-4", and